

Parachi language

Parachi (*Parāčī*) is an Iranian language. Parachi is spoken by some 600 individuals of the Parachi ethnic group in eastern Afghanistan, mainly in the upper part of Nijrab District, northeast of Kabul, out of a total ethnic Parachi population of some 5,000.

It is closely related to the Ormuri language of Kaniguram in South Waziristan, Pakistan. Parachi is usually classified as a member of the Southeastern group of the Eastern Iranian languages,^[3] although this is an areal group rather than a genetical one.

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Parachi	
Native to	Afghanistan
Region	Kabul
Native speakers	3,500 (2009) ^[1]
Language family	Indo-European <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Indo-Iranian ▪ Iranian ▪ Eastern? ▪ Ormuri-Parachi ▪ Parachi
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	prc
Glottolog	para1299 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/para1299) ^[2]



Ghulam Maheuddin, a Parachi man from Deh-i-Kal in Shutul valley, northeast of Charikar, photographed by Georg Morgenstierne in September 1924.

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